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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION  
AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 23313

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 11, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and entry of the present amendment. This response is accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time and payment of the necessary fee.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.